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WEATHER BULLETIN.  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—For lower Michigan: Fair, cooler in extreme northwest portion; high west winds.

### UNEQUAL REPRESENTATION.

Without entering into a discussion of the fairness and equity of the report of the committee on equalization of the board of supervisors, which is printed in another column, a word may not be out of place on the significance of the figures themselves. Under our system of representation on the board of supervisors neither wealth nor population cut any figure. Representation is based entirely on civil divisions, so that a township with 100 inhabitants, and little wealth, is entitled to the same voice and vote in the board as a ward having 5,000 inhabitants and millions in property. Taxation without representation is a form of oppression against which every property-owner and taxpayer protests with vehemence. A glance at the totals in the report of the committee on equalization, and of the number of townships and wards, leads to the inevitable conclusion that the city is subjected to taxation without an equal representation. Through this inequality the townships having double the representation have power to fix the amount of taxation to be borne by the city, and the city must submit, whether the division be fairly equal or grossly unequal. We have acquiesced in the system of representation for so many years that we accept the taxation imposed by the representatives of the townships without protest and thank God it is no worse. The injustice of the system is admitted by the township members themselves, but they do not exert themselves, and will not do so, to secure a change. Under the new equalization the townships are taxed on \$12,425,000, by the vote of twenty-four supervisors from the townships, and the city is taxed on \$22,575,000 by the same twenty-four supervisors, who can out-vote the twelve city members on any proposition.

### MR. JOHNSTON'S CASE.

Mr. Johnston is the pastor of the Unitarian church of this city and he is a very good man. Yesterday afternoon he made application for membership in the Pastors' Conference, a very good society. Objection was made to his admission on the ground that his church is not recognized as an evangelical church. Mr. Johnston declared that his qualifications for membership were not radically different from those upon which the present members were admitted and incidentally read the objectors a dignified "if somewhat heated, homily on brotherly love." If the constitution of the Pastors' Conference disqualifies from membership those ministers whose theology excludes the literal interpretation of the scriptures then Mr. Johnston, if one of that class, would not be sustained in asking to be admitted to membership. On the other hand, if the constitution recognizes the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God there is no reason in the world why Mr. Johnston, whose salvation in life is to "rescue the perishing," should not be taken into fellowship. Only a few months ago a Roman Catholic delivered a strong defense of his faith before the ministers, and a little later an infidel was invited and delivered a eulogistic reply. Hence it is passing strange that an acknowledged Christian should stand at the gate only to be turned away. To admit him would do the ministers no harm and it might do some thing to some good. "Inasmuch as you did it unto the least of these, you have done it unto me" is a sentiment that ought to be more generously cherished.

### BRIDLED THE PRESS.

Mrs. Anna D. Van Houten said Ann P. Moore, a prominent and reputable editor of Boston, for breach of promise. She is 35 years old and he is 75. Mrs. Van Houten has been divorced from her former husband, who was a member of the state senate of Washington. Each had filed sensational charges against the other, but the charges were not proved in the suit for divorce. The judge, however, granted a divorce. This evidence was brought up to the suit against Mr. Moore for breach of promise, by the defense. It was very sensational reading and Judge Barker of the Massachusetts supreme court ordered the newspapers of Boston not to print the testimony until the conclusion of the trial. A notice to this effect was served on each paper and the order was obeyed. After the case had gone to the jury, Judge Barker restored to the newspapers the right to print the testimony, which they did, although the news was from one to seven days old. The jury found a verdict for \$60,000 as the extent of the damage that Mrs. Van

Houten's affections had sustained. The order of the court in this case was purely ex parte, or entirely outside of the case. The newspapers which had not been brought into the jurisdiction of the court by any process of law known to the federal statutes were under no greater obligation to obey the mandate than they would be to obey an order directing them to pay each a pro rata share of the expenses of the trial. Possibly a disobedience would have made the Boston newspapers amenable to a charge of contempt of court, but even that would be more praiseworthy than their truckling deference to an empty decree which could not be enforced on its merits in any court in this country. It is fortunate for the dignity of that judge that he does not reside in any of the cities of the west. His order would not only have been disobeyed, but he would have been made so ridiculous in the eyes of the public that he would never again attempt to bridge the press.

### DEATH OF A RAJAH.

Death, with the assistance of a stroke of paralysis, has removed the Maharajah Dhulep Singh. Following, as it does, the demise of the Aikhoon du Swat, the event is of international importance from an orthographical point of view. But the rajah was really a good fellow in spite of his early surroundings and his name. He was the son of the famous Ranjot Singh, rajah of Punjab, whose daring deeds have been immortalized in Sanskrit verse. His mother was the notorious Ranees, whose instincts were irretrievably heathenish, and whose conduct was unrighteous. Dhulep Singh was a British protégé, and received \$200,000 a year for his kindness in permitting England to govern his empire. He was a Christian and a companionable fellow. As a monarch he never had a chance to show the metal that was in him; but he displayed good discretion in not attempting to thwart any of the plans of England to secure control of India. That alone stamps him as a man of sound judgment and one who would sooner be a live monarch without any monarchy than a dead hero minus the same appurtenances.

SENATOR HILL paid his respects to senatorial courtesy in a speech delivered in Brooklyn last evening. That is all right enough so far as it goes but he should put some of his oratory into practical shape from his seat in the senate. If he would show his contempt for senatorial tradition by promptly forcing a climax in spite of the horrified shrieks of the old grandmothers in that body his eloquent vehemence at Brooklyn would not sound so like a babbling brook.

COMPROMISE seems to have died a-borning. The summary rejection of the plan so industriously projected by Senator Gorman forcefully illustrates that the people are in no temper to accept a political makeshift to settle the silver wrangle. When a vote shall be taken and it shall be demonstrated that no legislation can be effected then a compromise may be necessary. Until then compromise talk must be confined to nothing more serious than talk.

### LORD MAYOR SHANKS OF DUBLIN

has expressed the frank and honest opinion that American newspapers are in every way superior to those of England and Ireland, and that American interviewers tell the truth. This is a generous, manly tribute. It is not too late to say that Lord Mayor Shanks is one of the most charming gentlemen that ever visited this country.

MASSACHUSETTS democrats are confident that Attorney General Olney will resign and that Governor Russell will be appointed to succeed him. The authority for the latter part of the statement is probably due to a thoroughly Bostonian belief that nobody except a Massachusetts man is in any way capable of filling an office previously held by a Massachusetts man.

DUBLIN Parnellites have demanded that the dynamiters now in English prisons be released. This is a modest request to be sure. If Governor Algard were premier of England the demands of the Parnellites would unquestionably be granted; but under the circumstances they will probably have to serve their sentences.

TWO LITTLE girls, not yet in their teens, have left their homes to battle alone with the world. These two little girls will return home again with their longings to fight the world alone quite gratified. If they are not the good old shingles should be brought into requisition.

SOME women are never satisfied. There is Mrs. Snare of Albion. She has read of hundreds of cases of women being burned by exploding oil used in starting furnaces. Still she would insist on trying the experiment to satisfy herself that coal oil would both explode and burn.

MAX PARSONS of Beloit, Wisconsin, went to Indianapolis to tell General Harrison that she dreamed he would be the next president. If the general places any faith in the contrivance of dreams he will be inclined to regard the prophecy as a nightmare.

FROM word is said to be the basis of the tariff reform bill which the ways and means committee is preparing. When the committee completes its labors American labor will be in a position to sympathize with the American sleep.

THINKS is a gift in the sky. A hackman has been compelled to return an overcharge to an unsuspecting and easily victimized patron.

ANY alleged jokes as to the compromising position of the senate should be frowned upon.

## DIGBY IS SHUT OUT

The Pastors Decline to Make Him a Member

### OF THE MINISTERS' COUNCIL

A Lively Discussion is Had Which Results in the Appointment of a Special Committee.

The pastors' conference yesterday afternoon was without special incident until a motion to adjourn was made. Before the motion was seconded the Rev. H. Digby Johnston pastor of the Unitarian church jumped to his feet and threw a bomb into the meeting as the preliminary to a lively engagement. "I have noticed said Mr. Johnston," that in the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting my name appears as a visitor and I wish to know why I am so considered." The Rev. J. W. Pollard explained that he acted as temporary secretary and followed the report made by Secretary Russell at the previous meeting who had recorded Mr. Johnston as a visitor. It was explained that all were visitors until their names were on the roll of membership. At this explanation Mr. Johnston walked hurriedly to the secretary's desk and was about to take the book to attach his name to the roster. A ripple of excitement was visible among the members. When they observed Mr. Johnston's earnestness, Secretary Russell reached for the book, saying, "Just one moment, Brother Johnston," and took the book from his hand.

The Rev. J. E. Smith of the South congregational church, was about to retire from the room and had put on his overcoat. He paused at the door of the room and addressing the chair said: "The constitution of this association limits its membership to those pastors of the evangelical faith, and Mr. Johnston represents a church that is not evangelical. So long as this clause is in the constitution Mr. Johnston will be debarred from membership."

### Johnston's Sharp Retort.

"On what authority do you make that statement regarding the faith of the Unitarian church?" interrupted Mr. Johnston.

"It is not considered among the evangelical churches by common consent," replied Mr. Smith.

"I am as evangelical as any member present," retorted Mr. Johnston.

Mr. Bradley asked the constitution be read and the document was read by Secretary Russell. Besides the foregoing requirement of faith it was found that a membership fee of 25 cents is required. When this was read Mr. Johnston drew a quarter from his pocket and deposited it on the table, at the same time reaching for the book in which to sign his name. He was interrupted again as the matter was still under discussion. Mr. Smith moved that the application of Mr. Johnston be referred to a special committee of three. "I do not submit to the action of a committee," interrupted Mr. Johnston with considerable emphasis. "I have as good a right to the benefits of this conference as any member here and I insist that my name shall be placed on the roll of membership. No committee has authority to pass upon my belief."

"As I understand the rules governing the membership of this conference," volunteered the Rev. Dan F. Bradley, "the church of which a member is pastor cuts but a small figure. It is the faith of the individual member that prevails in considering eligibility."

"If a committee is appointed," said Mr. Smith, "I would suggest that the only way out of the difficulty is to eliminate the word 'evangelical' from the constitution."

"Your constitution prohibits referring constitutional questions to committees; therefore, the brother is out of order," exultantly exclaimed Mr. Johnston.

"I move that a committee of three be appointed," interrupted Mr. Bradley, "to ascertain who are members of this association."

The motion was carried. It appeared during the discussion that several pastors were identified with the conference who had not been identified with the constitution.

### Mr. Snare's Sarcasm.

"It appears," said the Rev. Jabez Snare, "from the course which the brother has taken, that he is trying to make himself out to be a martyr, and thereby win for himself a cheap martyr's crown, in the eyes of the public. It will be represented that we have sat down upon him, when, in reality, he is trying to sit upon all of us."

This statement aroused the ire of Mr. Johnston, who arose, and with white, trembling lips said:

"The brother introduced his remarks by saying this conference should be a place for brotherly intercourse and the most harmonious and brotherly action. For him to accuse me of trying to win a cheap martyr's crown is far from brotherly. If this is the brotherly love shown here, thank God I want none of it. Have I acted as if I was a martyr? Here I said a word to indicate this."

The Rev. Dr. Cook explained the requirements of the association. Faith to be a belief in the divinity of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and the unitarian church is not created with having that belief. The Rev. Smith of the Mission Wood church, Vandeventer and Mulhern spoke along the same line and Mr. Johnston continued to pour in hot shot in defense of his application. The discussion was so animated that the time of adjournment was extended one-half hour. However, no business action was taken on Mr. Johnston's application and a committee composed of the following pastors was appointed by President Williamson to ascertain who are eligible to membership: The Revs. L. B. Davis, Dan F. Bradley and Dr. Mulhern. This committee is to report at the next meeting. It is thought the word "evangelical" will be eliminated from the constitution before Mr. Johnston can become a member of the conference.

### Business Session.

At the regular business session it was decided to appoint the second Sunday in December of each year as hospital Sunday when sermons will be delivered in the various churches in the city on hospital work and contributions received for St. Mark's hospital, the U. B. S. home, and the Emerson home. These contributions will be distributed among the above institutions provided the money is used for hospital purposes only. It was suggested that a meeting for young people be held both morning and afternoon in Lockwood hall the first Sunday of Evangelist Missions work here. The young people from the churches in the territory east of the river, between East Bridge street and Wealthy avenue, will be invited to attend the forenoon services, and those

of the outlying churches will be asked to attend the afternoon meetings.

### AMUSEMENT NOTES.

For the story upon which "The Ensign" is supposed to be founded one is asked to read the history of the Mason-Shield capture by Captain Wilkes of the Frigate San Jacinto. For the story of the play as it is enacted in the magnificent stage settings and scenic adornments, which amazed and delighted a small audience in "The Powers" last evening, one must witness the production itself. Unquestionably the historic naval episode furnished the basis for the dramatic effect, but the plot of the drama is as far removed from the actualities of that event as is a farce comedy from a tragedy. The story is one of love, patriotism and valor. Its interest appeals altogether to the heart and the sympathies of the audience are kept keenly alert by the introduction of characters whose names are inseparably connected with the trying events of the civil war. The Ensign falls in love with the cousin of his captain's wife. A renegade, lieutenant of the British ship Warrior, plots to defeat the Ensign's suit. The Ensign is captured and the renegade is foiled. Madened beyond control by his defeat the renegade curses the stars and stripes and tearing it from its hangings tramples it under his feet. The Ensign loses his self control under the taunts of the renegade, and in a fight with swords which ensues, he is killed. For this tale is couched in a martial, and sentenced to be hanged to the yard arm of his ship. Friends, comrades, mother and sweetheart intercede for him with the president in vain. A little girl gives the president her dearest earthly treasure, a watch, to save the Ensign's life. It reveals, and just as the noose is adjusted an orderly arrives with the reprieve and he is saved. The presentation of this story is superbly accomplished by the sterling actors in the cast seen in "The Powers" last evening. The beautiful tableaux with which the scenes are embellished are unsurpassed by any stage mechanism presented here this year. The play is logically constructed and one's interest never lags for from laughter to tears in quick succession the incidents and situations are flashed before the auditors. The fourth act is a masterpiece of patriotic sentiment, the last scene the farewells of the Ensign to his betrothed and mother is as true to nature that many an eye was moist with sympathetic tears—and they were not all women's eyes either. The play is almost perfectly cast and a word spoken by the star might with equal despatch be applied to every player in the company.

George A. Wright of the Ensign company was a page in the state senate with William Alden Smith. Nearly twenty years ago they cavorted about the capitol and ran errands for rural statesmen. Then they drifted apart. Mr. Wright became an actor and Mr. Smith studied law. Their careers have been widely divergent, but both point with pride to the fact that they have never been elected to the state legislature. Mr. Wright arrived in Sweet's hotel with the company yesterday morning, and the first thing he did was to hunt up Mr. Smith. They spent the forenoon rehearsing the drama when each stood in contempt of the supreme court's opinion or the dramatic critics' judgment.

Corinne, the merry and dashing opera soubrette, who is to appear at "The Powers" Grand next Monday evening, has made superb advancement in her art, according to the Kinema Opera house, the most reliable exchanges that come to this office, since she was last seen here, this improvement being especially prominent in her singing and fun-making. These are characteristics that particularly well set off her new part. She is escorted by the Kinema Opera house, a company of sixty people and she will be seen in the title role of the burlesque opera bouffe, "Hendrick Hudson, or the Discovery of Columbus." It is a jolly and melodious piece, fully up to date.

Elmer E. Vance's realistic drama, "The Limited Mail," will be seen at The Grand next Wednesday evening. "The Limited Mail" has been played over a thousand times throughout the country, and its wonderful scenic effects have everywhere won the highest recognition.

Everybody that knows jolly Ole Olson should attend his coming performance and get acquainted with his brother, Ole Olson, who accompanies Ole this evening. Ole is 28 years old and of a thirty-six inches in height. At The Grand next week.

### HOTEL GOSSIP.

A. B. Leet of Suffolk, Va., was a guest in The Morton yesterday. Mr. Leet was general freight and passenger agent of the U. R. & I. road for thirteen years, but is now engaged in the lumber business. "Times are dull in the south the same as in the north," said he last night. "I can't see any difference in that respect, and do not see any immediate prospects for something better."

George H. Anthony of Detroit, general agent for the Atchinson, Topeka & Santa Fe road, is a guest in The Morton. Mr. Anthony is a nephew of Susan B. Anthony and a son of ex-Governor Anthony of Kansas.

James Balbirnie of Muskogee, Okla., is a guest in The Morton yesterday. He was accompanied by his daughter.

A. R. Morehouse, a prominent Big Rapids lumberman, is a guest in The Eagle.

R. A. Hastings, a Sparta merchant, was among yesterday's arrivals in The Eagle.

Muskegon—Arthur Hart, Minister, J. A. Jamieson, St. Ignace; James Balbirnie, Muskogee; Neal McMillan, Rockford; H. A. Deland, Allegan; F. E. Wilcox, Detroit.

New Livings—C. J. Shaw, Cadillac; F. C. Borg, Detroit; R. A. Hastings, Sparta; Archie McCoy, Hastings; Grant S. Bennett, Kalama; G. Perry Messing, Detroit.

Sweta's—T. F. Pollock, Jackson; W. H. Groat, George Passino, Wayne; H. F. Cook, White Pigeon; J. F. Doyle, Detroit; J. Kelley, Jackson.

Ensign—W. L. Farnum, Flint; A. E. Roberts, Sparta; Scott Griswold, Spencer; E. W. Hastings, Traverse City; J. C. Rooney, Manistique; C. M. Hyde, Rockford.

Keyes—A. L. Hamill, Petoskey; George E. Ginn, Leelanau; E. M. Hastings, Traverse City; Miss Dora Brockley, Reed City; C. L. Dolph, McBride; J. W. Ainsworth, Union City.

Burton's—David Walker, Cedar Springs; L. E. Relya, Ross River; F. O. Smith, Battle Creek; Frank E. Thatchers, Elk Rapids; Fred Goodenough, Lowell; Edwin Pettis, Ada.

Clarence—J. Neenanham, Dorcy; J. Besby, Sparta; D. B. Waters, Spring Lake; David Burns, Muskegon; Frank Bryant, Morley; M. D. Hayward, White Cloud.

## WILL TAKE A TRIP

Aldermen to Attend the Reunion of American Cities

### ON ITS ANNUAL JUNCTET

Common Council Will See the Sights. Meeting Called to Discuss the Work Problem.

The aldermen will junket to the world's fair next Saturday at least eighteen of the twenty-two present last night voted to go. The council received an invitation to attend the reunion of American cities in Chicago and it was decided to accept. The aldermen will start Friday night and reach the White city Saturday morning.

Several labor unions asked the council to use all efforts to prosecute more vigorously contemplated improvements so that men out of employment can be given work instead of asking for charity. Filed.

Residents on Front street kicked on the quarry of stone along the river. Residents on Lyon street objected to being called on to pay for the filling of the hole in Brown & Clark's brick yard.

Residents on Fourth street remonstrated against the improvement of that street. On motion of Alderman Damsley it was tabled.

The city of Chicago invited to council and city officials to attend the reunion American cities October 25. Accepted and placed on file.

To Discuss the Work Problem. The Turnverein invited the council to attend a meeting called in Turner hall on Jefferson street on Thursday evening to discuss the security of work and to devise means of relief. Accepted.

A. E. Powers asked to be allowed to raise the frame building which stands on North Division street between the Methodist church and the Morton House. He wishes to make it a two-story house and roof it with sheet iron. Referred to committee on fire department.

Residents of the first ward memorialized the council asking that the Gance cut be filled and also asked that the abutment of the Wealthy avenue bridge be placed on the island. They asked that a committee be appointed to investigate the matter. Mayor Stuart appointed as such committee Aldermen Mills, Schmidt, Gezon, DeGaaf, Campbell and Hauser.

### Comptroller's Report.

Comptroller Caro reported bills of the work calling for sums from the various funds as follows:

General fund	\$175.85
Police department fund	234.38
Fire department fund	124.38
Contingent fund	114.50
Poor department fund	52.12
Superior court fund	10.00
Police court fund	10.00
John Ball park fund	32.25
Lincoln park fund	10.00
Valley city fund	13.10
Greenwood cemetery fund	10.00
Bridge fund	63.00
Fire department fund	3.10
Seventh soldiers relief fund	10.00
First highway fund	68.15
Second highway fund	121.40
Third highway fund	79.46
Fourth highway fund	96.41
Fifth highway fund	142.40
Sixth highway fund	22.20
Seventh highway fund	22.20
Eighth highway fund	22.20
Ninth highway fund	22.20
Tenth highway fund	22.20
Eleventh highway fund	22.20
Twelfth highway fund	22.20
First sewer district fund	2.00
Second sewer district fund	14.87
Waterworks income fund	519.81
Five year improvement	521.12
Cash warrant	\$11,067.38
Special	2,105.26
Grand total	\$13,172.71

Comptroller Caro called attention to the fact that the city was paying rent for storing carriages while the city held tax titles on vacant property where they might be stored. This was especially true in the fifth ward. Referred to the alderman of the fifth ward. Comptroller Caro asked for the purchase of a check perforator for use in his office. Referred to the ways and means committee with power to act.

### Favor the Sewer.

The special committee to which was referred the subject of the Coldbrook valley sewer recommended that the survey furnish a description of the property through which easements must be secured. They also recommended the construction of the sewer.

The special committee to which referred the question of quarrying of stone in the river bed recommended that the marshal notify the parties in interest to cease operations.

Alderman Campbell moved that the council attend the exercises at the convention of American cities Saturday next. Carried. The mayor appointed Aldermen Campbell, Hauser and Emmet a committee to arrange for the transportation of the aldermen.

The following resolutions passed: By Alderman Campbell: That in all contracts where broken stone are used the material be procured at the jail.

By Alderman Damsley: That the committee on ordinances amend the sidewalk ordinance so that manholes be sunk even with the surface of the walks.

By Alderman: That the board of public works submit to the council within the next ninety days a plan to dispose of the entire sewage of the city.

By Alderman Gilden: That property owners connect with the water mains in South College avenue.

The matter of quarrying stone in the river was referred to the committee on ordinances to draft an ordinance governing the matter.

### GIVES THE OTHER SIDE.

DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 23, 1903. EDITOR OF THE HERALD.—In your paper of Sunday, October 22, I noticed an article pleading for the Howard children on account of their petition that has been gotten up in their behalf was signed by more than twenty persons. I do not wish to contradict that statement; but I do say there are few, and possibly none of the citizens of their village who signed it, and if there are any, they are in the church in which Mrs. Howard claims to be a member, and is not, for her pastor informed a certain lady, who asked to find out before she went to Grand Rapids as a witness on the case. She was informed that she Mrs. Howard was not a member of the church on account of her not being worthy. Two-thirds of the number on the petition are farmers and parties living from one to three miles from here, and have not seen the condition of the children and know nothing in regard to them, as do the citizens of the village. The party who wrote the article I refer to has been away from the place for most two years, and just moved here on the case against the children came up, and knows very little of the condition of the children.

den. Further the article goes on to state that a great wrong has been done. Now this is not a very good reflection to cast on the ladies and men who were subpoenaed on the case, and testified to the best of their knowledge in regard to the condition of affairs, and those people were as good citizens as there are in the village; therefore the wrong is on the other side, so to speak, and is considered as by the people of the village, and not the country people, who know very little of the case. "The course pursued seems to favor of the cruelty of the Dark Ages rather than the boasted civilization of our great American republic." Very nice strain, but some of these are the author's near neighbor. The party who is circulating the petition and is probably the instigator runs what is called a Holiness school or a school for children who have no parents or caring for them. As a citizen I would like to ask why did he not take the Howard children and adopt them or even offer to do so, but no, they must appear the case and make the poverty more costly. A CITIZEN AND SENSITIVE.

### MR. WHITE EXPLAINS.

EDITOR OF THE HERALD.—I read with a good deal of interest your amusing report of the conference of democrats held at the rooms of the Jefferson club on Saturday night. When it is considered that your report of the proceedings was obtained in the face of the most apparently unsurmountable difficulties, I am frank to confess it is a pretty good one. In reference to myself, however, I wish to state that aside from the statement that Mr. Richardson has promised his support to Mr. Carroll for postmaster, I did not give utterance to the remarks attributed to me in your report. I did not refer to my political record nor make any demands for consideration on account of it. Yours truly, A. S. WHITE.

### STATE PRESS COMMENT.

One of the things that go to show the money panic of the past summer was simply the result of the efforts of the bankers and brokers of Wall street to force the silver question to the wall for the purpose of squeezing a profit out of the people, is the fact that all through the hard times none of the necessities of life were increased in price.—Eaton Rapids Herald.

The Michigan Central road was fined \$100 by the government the other day for not delivering the mails promptly on time. The line was trying to do its business with an insufficient force. It would bankrupt the road if it was fined every time the mails were late at Eaton Rapids.—Eaton Rapids Journal.

The time may come when every candidate for congress will be required to pass a civil service examination to test his physical ability to endure continuous sessions and force a vote on pending measures.—Jackson Patriot.

Between wrecks on land and sea the man who gets through this world's fair year alive will have reason to consider himself as lucky.—Saginaw Courier-Herald.

The proposed union between the baptists and free will baptists of Michigan may be a step towards the millennium.—Muskegon News.

### Chemical Bank Dividend.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—Comptroller Eckels says that the Chemical National bank of Chicago will declare another dividend about December 1, this time of 20 or 25 per cent.

## HILL ON THE STUMP

Outlines a Tariff Bill and Drubs Senatorial Courtesy.

### MAJORITIES SHOULD GOVERN

The New York Senator Flays the Senate and Praises the Cleveland Administration.

BROOKLYN, Oct. 23.—The democrats of Kings county tonight began their campaign with an immense mass meeting in the academy of music. Senator Hill on being introduced said the foremost among the great questions, passed upon at the last national election, was the issue of a revision of the tariff. While disclaiming all authority to speak for the committee on ways and means, which is now engaged in the preparation of a bill, he could safely anticipate some of its general features. First of all, the bill would be a revenue bill for the purpose of raising the needed funds for governmental purposes. Raw materials will be placed upon the free list. The necessities of life will be substantially free. Bounties and subsidies will find little favor. The democrats have fulfilled public expectation by promptly passing the repeal measure, but he regretted to say that the repeal bill has not passed the senate. He believed a clear majority made up of both democrats and republicans are in favor of the repeal and speedy passage of the bill. Speaking of senatorial "courtesy" he hesitated not to say that he was not profoundly impressed with respect for the traditions of the senate. Most of them ought to be abolished. He believed that it was the duty of the majority to no longer submit to the dictation of the minority and he undertook last week to provide a remedy. Speaking for himself alone he declined to consider any compromise or any condition which embraces less than unconditional repeal until it is ascertained that a majority of the senate is unwilling to change its rules. The responsibility for the failure, if it shall occur, to pass the repeal bill proper must rest upon both parties. He closed with an eulogy upon the administration, stating that President Cleveland will have the earnest support of the democracy of New York in carrying out democratic principles. After the meeting Senator Hill left for Washington.

### Young Farmer in Trouble.

Deputy Sheriff Powers returned from Courtland about 2 o'clock this morning with Charles McConnell, whom he arrested on a warrant for battery. The complaining witness